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SUBJ: GROUP TRAVEL: TAMPA WORLD TRADE COUNCIL

REF: EGUCIGALPA 2517

1. FOLLOWING IS PROVIDED FOR POSTS' INFORMATION. SUBJECT GROUP IS NOT USDOC SPONSORED IOGA TRADE MISSION AND NO COMMITMENTS FOR ASSISTANCE HAVE BEEN MADE BY COMMERCE ON BEHALF ADDRESSEE POSTS.

2. USDOC HAS JUST BEEN NOTIFIED BY SUBJECT ORGANIZATION OF ITS PLANS TO VISIT COSTA RICA, HONDURAS AND GUATEMALA, JULY 8 THRU 13, 1974. THE DELEGATION WILL BE REPRESENTED BY FIFTEEN TO TWENTY LEADING BUSINESSMEN OF THE TAMPA BAY AREA AND ABOUT ONE THIRD OF THEM IS EXPECTED TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY WIVES. THE PURPOSE OF THE TRIP IS TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TO FOSTER COMMERCIAL RELATIONS WITH THESE COUNTRIES.

3. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION PROVIDED TO COMMERCE BY UNCLASSIFIED

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EUGENE PAREDA, EXEC. DIR., OF THE COUNCIL, ARRANGEMENTS

FOR BUSINESS CONTACTS IN EACH COUNTRY HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. HOWEVER, THE ASSISTANCE THEY DESIRE FROM THE POSTS INCLUDES (1) PLACING OF PRESS RELEASE WITH LOCAL NEWS MEDIA WHICH PAREDDAS STATES WILL BE IN THE MAIL TO POSTS FRI JUNE 21, TOGETHER WITH FINAL LIST OF BUSINESS PARTICIPANTS; (2) POSTS TO EXTEND INVITATIONS ON GROUP'S BEHALF TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIGNITARIES; E.G., MINISTERS OF COMMERCE AND/OR FOREIGN TRADE, ETC., TO ATTEND THEIR BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS (SCHEDULE BELOW); AND (3) THEY WISH ALSO TO INVITE AMEMBASSY ECON/CML OFFICERS TO EACH PRESENTATION.

SCHEDULE OF BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS: SAN JOSE, MON JULY 8, 10:30 A.M. TWTC'S PRESENTATION TO LOCAL BUSINESSMEN IN HOTEL IRAZU FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON HOSTED BY TWTC FOR GUESTS; TEGUCIGALPA, WED JULY 10, 10:30 A.M., TWTC PRESENTATION TO LOCAL BUSINESSMEN IN HOTEL HONDURAS-MAYA, FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON HOSTED BY TWTD; SAN PEDRO SULA, THURS JULY 11, 12:30 P.M., TWTC PRESENTATION TO LOCAL BUSINESSMEN IN GRAN HOTEL SULA, FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON HOSTED BY TWTC; GUATAMALA, FRI JULY 12, 10:30 A.M., TWTC PRESENTATION TO LOCAL BUSINESSMEN AT HOTEL BILTMORE, FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON HOSTED BY TWTC. KISSINGER

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